



UB Highlights

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News & Events for August 1-15, 2009

Welcome to UB!

The University welcomes Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs Dr. Michael Spitzer, who will take office on August 1. Dr. Spitzer and his wife, Ada, come to Bridgeport from St. Cloud (Minnesota) State University, where Dr. Spitzer has served as provost for the past seven years. The Spitzers will reside on the Bridgeport campus.

Admissions Events

Saturday Morning Campus Tour

Saturday, August 1, 9 and 11 a.m.

Prospective undergrads are invited to tour the Bridgeport campus. Sign up at www.bridgeport.edu/ub/tours.

Weekday tours may also be arranged, at the same site.



Waterbury Graduate Info Session

Wednesday, August 5, 6-7:30 p.m.

Information and registration will be offered at the Waterbury Center, 84 Progress Lane, for all graduate programs in teacher education, including M.S. Education internships, M.S. Education/teacher certification, MODMAP, 6th Year Certificate, and reading. For more information, call 203-576-4219.



In Memoriam

Thomas R. Oates Vice-President and CFO

On June 26 the University lost its Vice-President for Administration and Finance, whose leadership and tireless efforts since 2003 contributed greatly to UB's resurgence. Tom's love of the University, pride in its progress, and loyalty to his colleagues set a high standard. He will be truly missed and warmly remembered by all who knew him. Donations to the Thomas R. Oates Memorial Fund, made payable to the University of Bridgeport, may be sent to Ms. Marlene Diaz, Office of Administration and Finance, Wahlstrom Library 7th floor, University of Bridgeport, Bridgeport, CT 06604.

Opening Events, Aug. 1-15 (as of July 23)

Mon.-Weds., Aug 3-5: M.S. Dental Hygiene orientation, Health Sciences Center

Tues.-Sat., Aug. 11-15, 9 a.m.-4 p.m.: Intern orientation, School of Education and Human Resources, Dana 107

Thurs., Aug. 13, 10 a.m.: President's Welcome Back Meeting for Health Sciences Faculty, DuPont Tower Room

Thurs., Aug. 13, 11:30 a.m.: College of Naturopathic Medicine, welcome for new students, clinic faculty meeting, Health Sciences Center

Fri., Aug. 14, 8:30 a.m.-12 p.m.: College of Chiropractic, orientation and registration, Wahlstrom 6th floor

Fri., Aug. 14, 2-6 p.m.: College of Naturopathic Medicine, orientation and registration, Wahlstrom 6th floor

Mon., Aug. 17: Colleges of Chiropractic and Naturopathic Medicine, Acupuncture Institute, classes begin

Mon., Aug. 17, 2-4 p.m.: Acupuncture Institute orientation, Health Sciences Center, 6th floor lounge

Taiwan Cohort Graduation

Wednesday, August 12, 11 a.m.

Everyone is welcome to attend the ceremony for the Summer Cohort X in the International Degree Program, in the Student Center Social Room. Fourteen Taiwan Education students (12 women, 2 men) and one year-round student from China will receive their degrees. The Taiwan students have studied at UB for 4 consecutive summers, under the direction of Prof. William Jassey.



President's Welcome Back for Health Sciences Faculty *Thursday, August 13, 10 a.m.*

Faculty from the Colleges of Chiropractic and Naturopathic Medicine, the Institutes of Human Nutrition and Acupuncture, and the Fones School of Dental Hygiene are invited to the DuPont Tower Room of the Bernhard Center to hear the President's update on the University and a discussion of the year ahead.

UB ACHIEVEMENTS & HONORS

STUDENTS & ALUMNI

ATHLETICS

Women's Swimming, under the direction of head coach **Brad Flood**, was recognized by the College Swimming Coaches Association of America as one of 22 teams to be given Division II Team Scholar All-American Awards for academic achievement in the 2009 spring semester. The team also finished 17th at the 2009 NCAA Division II National Championship meet in March.

Amanda Wentz and **Hannah Larson** were named to the second and third teams, respectively, for their academic achievement by ESPN The Magazine Academic All-District One Softball this spring.

BUSINESS

John Benitez, Jennifer Byron, Perdita Das, Quentin Martin, Milica Micovic, James Postels, Sandra Schmitz, Jun Shen, Jia Wen Esther Teo, and Tingru Yin, students in UB's Advanced Exposition course, under the guidance of **Joseph Conlin**, adjunct professor of English, have written the 2009 edition of the *Park Avenue Business Review*. The 88-page paperback presents a cutting-edge analysis of the growing impact of Internet marketing in the international marketplace and may be purchased at <http://www.lulu.com/content/paperback-book/park-avenue-business-review-2009/7367336>.

Sha Lu and **Elva Ma**, MBA students, were sworn in on July 1 as vice president for public relations and secretary, respectively, of the Greater Bridgeport chapter of Toastmasters International. Regional Toastmasters clubs, from Connecticut, Massachusetts, and Westchester County, met for a training day at UB on July 25. The students were introduced to Toastmasters by Prof. **Steven M. Rashba** and Assistant Dean **Ward Thrasher**.

EDUCATION

Diana Durand Pasuth, MS '04, has been selected as one of about 100 U.S. teachers to attend the Mickelson Exxon/Mobil Teacher Academy, in New Jersey, this summer. The academy, a week of science and math experiments and activities, is for teachers of third- to fifth-grade.

FACULTY & STAFF

ARTS & SCIENCES

David W. Kraft, professor of mathematics and physics, and chair of the New England Section of the American Physical Society, attended its spring meeting in Boston, which was addressed by physics Nobel laureate Leon Lederman.

BUSINESS

Art McAdams, senior lecturer in management, has published a paper, "An Investigation of the Relationships between Users and Providers of Information Technology Services for Improved IT Effectiveness," in the *International Journal of Knowledge, Culture & Change*.

Congsheng Wu, associate professor of international finance, has published a paper, "Mutual Fund Advertisements," in the *Investment Management and Financial Innovations* journal.

INTERNATIONAL COLLEGE

Stephen Healey, director of the World Religions program; **Mark Setton**, associate professor of world religions and martial arts studies; **Kemal Argon**, adjunct professor of Islam; and **James Thrall**, visiting assistant professor of world religions, presented a series of weekly talks on the world's religious traditions at the Litchfield community center this spring. In addition, Prof. Healey was an invited speaker in the World Religions Symposium at Greens Farms Academy, in Westport, in April.

LIBRARY

Laurie Krumrey, senior project analyst, was certified in July by the American Red Cross as a Volunteer Disaster Action Team member for the Connecticut Disaster Reserve Services.

UNIVERSITY RELATIONS

Mary-Jane Foster, vice president for university relations, was a featured speaker at the Fresh Start Enterprise Breakfast, celebrating the 25th anniversary of Family ReEntry, Inc., on May 29. Fresh Start Enterprises creates employment opportunities for ex-offenders.

Did we miss something? *UB Highlights* is published twice monthly during the academic year and monthly in January, June, and July to inform the University community about UB events and achievements. To comment or to list your event or award, e-mail Rebecca Salonen, UBHighlights@bridgeport.edu, or call x4988.